



JAMES A. NOYES, Director

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

900 SOUTH FREMONT AVENUE
ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA 91803-1331
Telephone: (626) 458-5100
www.ladpw.org

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:
P.O. BOX 1460
ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA 91802-1460

IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO FILE: **T-3**

June 26, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2456

Dear Supervisors:

**AMENDMENT TO AUTOMATED RED LIGHT
PHOTO ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM AGREEMENTS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to exercise the option in the Consultant Services Agreement, extended on July 9, 2002, with Affiliated Computer Services, Inc. (ACS) State and Local Solutions, to extend the period of the contract for an additional 6-month period, beginning on July 29, 2003, with a not-to-exceed fee of \$414,000.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to extend the Agreement with the California Highway Patrol (CHP), executed on June 15, 1999, providing for the CHP to enforce the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program and for the County to reimburse the CHP for its associated costs for a 6-month period, beginning July 29, 2003, with a not-to-exceed fee of \$100,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On March 23, 1999, your Board approved Agreement No. PW11942 with ACS providing for ACS to install and operate traffic signal automated enforcement systems at the following five unincorporated area intersections for a 3-year Pilot Red Light Photo Enforcement Program.

Supervisory District	Area	Intersection
1	Rowland Heights	Colima Road at Batson Avenue
1	East Los Angeles	Whittier Boulevard at Atlantic Boulevard
3	Los Angeles	Wilshire Boulevard at Sepulveda Boulevard
4	Hacienda Heights	Hacienda Boulevard at La Monde Street
5	Glendora	Arrow Highway at Glendora Avenue

On June 15, 1999, Public Works executed Agreement No. CHP0275 98/99 with the CHP providing for the CHP to enforce the Program and for the County to reimburse the CHP for its associated costs. On July 9, 2002, your Board approved a 1-year extension of the Agreement with the CHP.

As of May 31, 2003, our analysis of the overall accident rates for the five Program intersections have shown a 62 percent reduction in the number of right-angle-type accidents, which are frequently related to red-light running. We have also observed an overall reduction in the numbers of citations issued at the Program intersections of nearly 2,000 citations per year. This is consistent with our expectations, since motorists will tend to adjust their driving habits as a result of the visible presence of traffic regulation enforcement.

The recommended continuance of the Program period, through extension and modification of the ACS contract and renewal of the CHP agreement, will allow us to continue automated red-light photo enforcement at the five intersections for an additional six months. This extension will also allow us to fully assess the potential impact of the State legislation, specifically AB1022 and SB780, that is being considered by the Legislature.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goals of Service Excellence and Organizational Effectiveness as continuation of the Program will enhance highway safety through a reduction in the frequency of red-light-running accidents and enhance service delivery through effective use of a private vendor.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Funds to finance both contracts are available in the Fiscal Year 2003-04 Public Ways Public Facilities (PWPF) General Fund budget. This Program is financed through an allocation of General Fund to the PWPF Fund.

Through May 31, 2003, the Red Light Photo Enforcement Program expenditures for Public Works are \$3.29 million. The net County cost is offset only to the degree of the revenue collected by the Courts.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

California Vehicle Code Section 21455.5 allows the use of an automated enforcement system at signalized intersections. The automated system's presence must be identified by signs clearly indicating its presence.

California Vehicle Code Section No. 21455.6 requires your Board to conduct a public hearing prior to entering into a contract to implement the Program. However, since this Program is currently in effect and the number and location of the instrumented traffic signals will not change, a public hearing is not required for the 6-month extension of the Program.

The enforcement of moving traffic violations under the California Vehicle Code in the unincorporated County areas is performed by the CHP. The CHP has agreed to participate in the Program throughout the 6-month extension period.

ACS will continue to provide ongoing maintenance and management of the automated system throughout the 6-month extension. Prior to execution by the Director, or his designee, a Supplemental Agreement will be approved as to form by County Counsel.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Implementation of traffic signal automated enforcement systems, including the notification of the motoring public, is categorically exempt under Class I(X)7 of the Environmental Guidelines approved by your Board.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The Consultant Services Agreement No. PW11942 with ACS provides that the contract may be extended beyond the initial term through mutual consent.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The continued implementation and management of the photo red light automated system will not result in the displacement of any County employees, nor will it impact current services.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
June 26, 2003
Page 4

CONCLUSION

At such time as these recommendations are approved, please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

PF:rj

P:\t\pub\wpfile\file\boardlette\red-light.bos2003

cc: Auditor-Controller
Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Executive Office